

“An Unreasonable Faith” Various Scriptures

“At that time Jesus prayed this prayer: “O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, thank you for hiding these things from those who think themselves wise and clever, and for revealing them to the childlike.” Matthew 11:25

“And pray that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men, for not everyone has faith.” 2 Thessalonians 3:2

“For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God...” Ephesians 2:8

“Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.” Romans 10:17

“Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me.” Revelation 3:20

“Your eyes saw my unformed body. All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.” Psalms 139:16

“From one man he made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live.” Acts 17:26

What is faith? Faith means God’s presence is within us in our lives.

“Then Moses said to him, “If your presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here.” Exodus 33:15

“My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me.” Psalms 63:8

“I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.” Galatians 2:20

Principle: Faith is not some kind of abstract absolute. Faith is a subjective experience with God.

“Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!” Romans 11:33

How do you deal with doubt?

Faith!

F – Find the root of your doubt

A – Ask God and others for help

“I do believe; help my unbelief!” Mark 9:24

I – Identify your questions

T – Take care of your spiritual health

H – Hold your remaining questions in tension

Principle: The antidote for doubt is a personal experience with the presence of God

Life group questions:

Is the Christian faith irrational and unreasonable?

Define some of the doubts that you have experienced in the past concerning your faith in God. Did those doubts draw you closer to God or pull you away from Him?

What part does reason play in our faith?

Is it okay to question God? Yes or No? Is it a sin to doubt?

Where does faith come from? How can I increase my faith?